

2008 National Conference on Feral Hogs
April 13–15, 2008
Crowne Plaza Hotel – St. Louis, Missouri
(agenda subject to change)

Sunday, April 13

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration

6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Social

Monday, April 14

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. – 9:10 a.m. **Introduction and Welcome**

9:10 a.m. – 9:35 a.m. **Mapping the Distribution of Feral Swine in the United States, 1982 – 2008**
Dr. Joseph L. Corn, Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

9:35 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **2008 Louisiana Feral Hog Surveys Reveal Frustrated Landowners and Besieged Biologists**
Michael D. Kaller, School of Renewable Natural Resources, Louisiana State University Agricultural Center

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Break**

10:15 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. **Home Range and Habitat Use of Feral Pigs (*sus scrofa*) on Lowndes County WMA, Alabama**
Wesson D. Gaston, USDA-Wildlife Services, Auburn, Alabama

10:40 a.m. – 11:05 a.m. **Feral Swine in Michigan**
Kristine Brown, Michigan Department of Natural Resources

11:05 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Stopping the Spread of Feral Hogs: Can Australian Research Assist?**
Steven Lapidge, Invasive Animals Cooperative Research Centre, Unley, South Australia

Monday, April 14 (continued)

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| 11:30 a.m. – 11:55 a.m. | The Future of Wild Pig Research: Where Do We Need to Go From Here?
Moderator - John J. Mayer
Panel Members - Tyler A. Campbell, Stephen S. Ditchkoff, and Billy Higginbotham |
| 11:55 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. | Lunch |
| 1:15 p.m. – 1:40 p.m. | Abating Feral Hog Damage to Agricultural Enterprises: A Texas Pilot Study
Billy Higginbotham, Ph.D., Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Overton, Texas |
| 1:40 p.m. – 2:05 p.m. | Wild Pig Attacks on Humans
John J. Mayer, Savannah River National Laboratory
Washington Savannah River Company,
Aiken, South Carolina |
| 2:05 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Military Technology Adapted to Feral Hog Control in Southwest Georgia
Master Sergeant Rod Pinkston, Fort Benning, Georgia |
| 2:30 p.m. – 2:55 p.m. | Feral Hog Issues and Control in Australia
Steven Lapidge, Invasive Animals Cooperative Research Centre, Unley, South Australia |
| 2:55 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. | Break |
| 3:10 p.m. – 3:35 p.m. | Iowa Report: Eradication, Legislation, and Progress
Angi Bruce, Southwest District Wildlife Supervisor,
Iowa Department of Natural Resources |
| 3:35 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Feral Hogs in Nebraska: Recent Control Efforts And Legal Status
Sam Wilson, Non-game Mammal/Furbearer Program Manager, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission |
| 4:00 p.m. – 4:25 p.m. | Feral Hogs in Kansas – Using Legislation to Help Control Efforts
Chad Richardson, USDA/APHIS/WS |

Monday, April 14 (continued)

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| 4:25 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. | First Day Discussions/Closing Comments |
| 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. | Banquet Dinner |
| 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | Special Feature: Contraceptives and Feral Hogs |
| | Effectiveness and Potential Side Effects of the
Immunocontraceptive Vaccine GonaCon™ on
The Wild Boar
Giovanna Massei, Central Science Laboratory,
Sand Hutton, York YO41 1LZ, United Kingdom |
| | Development and Evaluation of Management Tools
Using Immunocontraception to Reduce Feral
Swine Populations in the Southwest Florida Water
Management District
Gary Killian, USDA/APHIS/WS/NWRC,
Las Cruces, New Mexico |
| | Development of Aerosol or Oral GnRH
Contraceptive Vaccines for Feral Hogs
Lowell Miller, National Wildlife Research Center,
Fort Collins, Colorado |
| | The BOS (Boar-Operated-System): A Novel
Method to Deliver Baits to Wild Boar
Giovanna Massei, Central Science Laboratory,
Sand Hutton, York YO41 1LZ, United Kingdom |

Tuesday, April 15

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| 8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. | Challenges and Strategies for Managing Feral Hogs
in Hawaii
The Nature Conservancy, Hawaii |
| 8:50 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. | Governor Blunt's Missouri Feral Hog Task Force:
Engaging State and Federal Agencies with
Private Stakeholders
Missouri Department of Conservation |

Tuesday, April 15 (continued)

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| 9:15 a.m. – 9:40 a.m. | Feral Hog Management Challenges on the Mark Twain National Forest
Paul Strong, Acting Forest Supervisor,
Mark Twain National Forest, U.S. Forest Service |
| 9:40 a.m. – 10:05 a.m. | Feral Hog Research Update from the Wildlife Services National Wildlife Research Center Texas Field Station
Tyler A. Campbell, Ph.D., USDA/APHIS/WS
National Wildlife Research Center,
Texas A&M University – Kingsville,
Kingsville, Texas |
| 10:05 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. | Break |
| 10:20 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. | Feral Hogs in New York State
Marie Kautz, New York State
Department of Environmental Conservation |
| 10:45 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. | From Domestic to Feral in Two Years
Eric Lemons, Natural Resources Park Ranger,
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Missouri |
| 11:10 a.m. – 11:35 a.m. | History of a Central Texas Feral Hog Management Program
T. J. Muir, USDA/APHIS/WS
Bryan, Texas |
| 11:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Feral Hog Control in Florida – Success Through Science, Technology, and Hard Work
John Dunlap, USDA/APHIS/WS, Bristol, Florida |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. | Lunch |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:25 p.m. | The Missouri Wildlife Services Approach to Feral Hog Control
Dan McMurtry and Scott Radford
USDA/APHIS/WS, Missouri |

Tuesday, April 15 (continued)

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| 1:25 p.m. – 1:50 p.m. | Feral Hog Management: Tying Performance Measures to Resources Protected
Michael J. Bodenchuk, State Director,
Texas Wildlife Services Program
San Antonio, Texas |
| 1:50 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. | Disease Surveillance of Wild Hogs in Great Smoky Mountains National Park
William H. Stiver, Great Smoky Mountains
National Park, Gatlinburg, Tennessee |
| 2:15 p.m. – 2:40 p.m. | Overview of Wildlife Services
Disease Surveillance in Feral Hogs
Brandon Schmit, USDA/APHIS/WS |
| 2:40 p.m. – 3:05 p.m. | Eradication of Feral Pigs from Pinnacles National Monument
Blake McCann, University of North Dakota,
Department of Biology, Grand Forks, North Dakota |
| 3:05 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. | Break |
| 3:20 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. | Fort Leonard Wood, MO: Eradication Success Story
Kenton Lohraff, Wildlife Biologist,
DPW Natural Resources, Fort Leonard Wood |
| 3:45 p.m. – 4:10 p.m. | Final Day Discussion/Closing Comments |

Wednesday, April 16

Optional Checkout and Travel Day

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